

These public/private partnerships exemplified by the South Dakota Community Foundation—lean but effective in its management, guided by local development officials, and supported by individual, corporate, and foundation investors—are critical institutions in helping the Northern Great Plains make this transition.

I pledge to lend my active support and encouragement to the South Dakota Community Foundation so we can return to Brookings, SD in another 10 years and celebrate continued community vitality.

LADIES AUXILIARY TO THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 2966

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, it is a distinct honor for me to congratulate the ladies auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2966 in Scotland, SD. On Saturday, members of the ladies auxiliary will be celebrating their 50th anniversary. This year marks five decades of outstanding service and support by the auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and to the Scotland community.

The ladies auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2966 received its charter on January 3, 1947. A group of 16 women were among the organization's charter members. I ask that their names be included in the RECORD at the conclusion of my remarks.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection it is so ordered.

(See exhibit 1.)

As my colleagues know, the stated mission of the ladies auxiliary to any Veterans of Foreign Wars post is to promote patriotism and to maintain and extend freedom and equal rights to all Americans. For the past 50 years, the members of the ladies auxiliary in Scotland have been fulfilling that mission, and they have distinguished themselves with outstanding service to veterans and the community.

Some of the most important work these women have done over the years includes service and support to our veterans. Members of the ladies auxiliary pride themselves on doing a great deal of volunteer work in veterans hospitals and in nursing homes, as well as fund-raising for cancer research.

I would also like to point out that members of the ladies auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2966 reach out to young people and other nonveterans in the Scotland community. For instance, they conduct educational youth programs to promote patriotism. They also serve as much-needed role models to young people and provide examples to us all about what it means to serve one's country.

Mr. President, the members of the ladies auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2966 deserve to be commended for their 50 years of patriotism and service. As we prepare to celebrate Veterans Day next week, I know I speak on behalf of all South Dakotans

when I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to them for their continued commitment and dedication to veterans and to the Scotland community.

EXHIBIT 1

Joyce Hosterman, Blanche Nelson, Gladys Keating, Lytha Barth, Angie Pillar, Iona Retzer, Emma Brown, Vi Kostlan, Bernice (Farmer) Cvrk, Emma Collinge, Elna (Nelles) Gemar, Leondina Orth, Ruth Hirsch, Della Wold, Martha Baker, Mae Brown.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2195. An act to provide for certain measures to increase monitoring of products that are made with forced labor.

H.R. 2676. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and reform the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 6:06 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 1119. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1996 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2160. An act making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2195. An act to provide for certain measures to increase monitoring of products that are made with forced labor; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 2676. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to restructure and re-

form the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-3279. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the White House Communications Agency; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3280. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installation and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to outsourcing; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3281. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) and the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, a report relative to medical and dental care; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1193. A bill to amend chapter 443 of title 49, United States Code, to extend the authorization of the aviation insurance program, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-140).

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 282. A bill to designate the United States Post Office building located at 153 East 110th Street, New York, New York, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building".

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

H.R. 497. A bill to repeal the Federal charter of Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc., and for other purposes.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 681. A bill to designate the United States Post Office building located at 313 East Broadway in Glendale, California, as the "Carlos J. Moorhead Post Office Building".

H.R. 1316. A bill to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits.

H.R. 2129. A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 150 North 3rd Street in Steubenville, Ohio, as the "Douglas Applegate Post Office".

H.R. 2564. A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 450 North Centre Street in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, as the "Peter J. McCloskey Postal Facility".

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 2610. A bill to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to extend the authorization for the Office of National